

# Reynolds Secondary School Grade 9 Band

## Quarter 2 Schedule Update

Hello!

Thank you for a good first quarter in the Reynolds Grade 9 Band! Thank you for being flexible and rolling with the changes as we adapted to the new quarter system in the band program at Reynolds!

### 1.) Your Quarter 2 Class Schedule

By now your Q2 teachers should have made contact with you regarding your classes and their scheduling. If you are unsure of your schedule please let me know and I will forward it to you by email. I will also leave a paper copy for you to pick up in the band room on Tuesday AM.

### 2.) Grade 9 Band / Green Band Schedule

**For Quarter 2, Band 9 moves outside of the timetable to Friday mornings from 7:30am – 8:30am in the gym starting on Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> (this Friday is a Professional-Development day for staff only).**

Participation is a mandatory.

You will be combining with the Grade 10 band to form an ensemble historically known as the Reynolds **“Green Band.”** This junior concert band model allows our grade 10s to act as musical leaders AND allows our grade 9 students to learn from those grade 10s in leadership positions.

Packages of music will be available in the band room for you to pick up on Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

**\*\*Strict adherence to social distancing, the use of masks/band masks, hand washing, and knowing where you are seated in the ensemble are required for participation in the band and for overall success in the ensemble.\*\***

### 2.) Band 9 Masterclass Workshops

In addition to Friday morning rehearsals, **Grade 9 students will be required to attend a mandatory “masterclass” workshop for their instrument on one Monday morning from 8:00am – 9:00am in the band room.** A masterclass is a workshop that deals with instrument-specific learning concepts and they will be led by professional musicians from our community, UVIC professors/teacher candidates, and military band members. *This is not meant to be scary or hard – it’s meant to help you!* ❤️

The schedule is listed below. All masterclasses will be held in the band room unless otherwise listed. **Please note:** if your section is **not** required for a masterclass on a Monday, you do not have to attend that masterclass. If you wish to attend a masterclass for your secondary instrument, you may do so!

November 23 – Flutes

November 30 – Clarinets, Oboe (Band Office) Bassoon (Practice Room 1)

December 7 – All Saxophones (Concert Band & Jazz Band)

December 14 – Trumpets, French Horns (Art Room)

January 11 – Percussion

January 18 – Trombones/Low Brass, Bass Guitar (Practice Room 1)

Thank you!

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